

Primary and Grammar Schools

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In 1906, a large eight room primary school was completed and dedicated on the southwest corner of Center and Second North. Four Hundred students were accommodated in this luxurious new building.

It was the first school in Lehi to have indoor plumbing, central heating and a landscaped yard. Children were required to wait outside until 9:00 a.m. at which time they marched in an orderly fashion into the building to lively accompaniment.

Just northwest of this location was the city jail was torn down and another eight room school was constructed between the two school and provided heat for both buildings.

When the new building was first used, the two schools held 765 students. Some students were sent home the first day due to lack of space and a fifth grade class was assigned to meet in the old band building on State Street taught by a Mrs. Gilchrist.